

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi [signature]
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: March 2, 2004

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Georgetown Project and Noise Control Amendment Act of 2003"

REFERENCE: Bill 15-280 as Introduced

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2004 budget and the proposed FY 2004 through FY 2007 financial plan to implement the "Georgetown Project and Noise Control Amendment Act of 2003." The proposed legislation has no fiscal impact.

Background

The "Georgetown Project and Noise Control Amendment Act of 2003" amends the District of Columbia Noise Control Act of 1977 and the District of Columbia Construction Codes to exempt the Georgetown underground utility infrastructure upgrade project (the "Georgetown Project") from maximum noise level restrictions and limitations on after-hours work and to provide a number of other noise-related provisions, including clarifying the definition of a noise disturbance, limiting the exemption for music from religious services to exclude amplified sounds, prohibiting noise disturbances from motor vehicle stereo systems and limiting the duration of noise from motor vehicle alarm systems. The proposed legislation also prohibits nighttime refuse collection within 300 feet of a hotel or a residence in a CM zone while allowing residential collection to begin at 6 a.m. during June, July and August. In addition, the proposed legislation increases the fee for violation of any provision of the Act from \$300 to \$1,000.

Financial Plan Impact

The provisions in the proposed legislation provide a variety of exemptions, limitations, and clarifications that will not affect District staff or resources. It is not possible to estimate the impact of the fee increase.